TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 89 - SB 741

February 26, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to commission as law enforcement those officers who meet standards of initial and recurrent training and qualifications. Such standards must be substantially equivalent to those established by the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (POST). Specifies that such commissioned employees may assist law enforcement outside areas which fall under the purview of the TDEC.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004087): Deletes and replaces language in the original bill such that the only substantive change clarifies the commissioned employees may assist federal, state, and local law enforcement.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

• Based on information previously provided by the TDEC, the Department currently exercises the rights authorized by this legislation; therefore, this legislation is estimated to have no significant impact on state government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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